

“Help Ever, Hurt Never”

# ŚRÎ SÂI LEELA

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August 2016

Be steady, Have faith and reach the goal safe.”- Śrî Sâi Bâbâ.”

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - August 2016

Aug 3rd - SRAVANAM / Sep 1st - Bhadrpadam

**Aug 1 Sun Ashada Krishna Chaturdasi - Masa Sivaratri**

10.00 am 360 Sivalinga Abhishekam	\$108
10.30 am Sri Rudra Homam	\$126
5.00 pm 1 lakh Bilva Archana	\$108

**Aug 2 Mon Ashada Amavasya**

8.00 am Deva Rishi Pitru Tarpanam	\$21
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**Aug 3 Tue Sraavanam Masa begins**

**Aug 7 Fri Sraavana Sukla Panchami - GARUDA PANCHAMI**

**Aug 12 Fri SRI VARA MAHALAKSHMI VRATAM**

7.00pm Varamahalakshmi Vratam	\$54
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**Aug 15 Mon Sraavana Sukla Dwadasi- SOMA PRADOSHAM**

10 am & 6.30 pm Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam	\$36
Siva Archana	\$18

**Aug 17 Wed Sraavana Sukla Poornima - RAKHI**

**Rig & Yajur UPAKARMA**

09.30 am Sai Datta Rudrabhishekam	\$54
10.00 am Mahalakshmi & Viraja	\$126
Flower Service	\$36
06.00 PM Sai Satyanaryana Vratam	\$54
Jyoti Arati	\$108

**Aug 18 Thurs Simha Sankramana**

07.00 pm Veda Patanam	\$21
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**Aug 21 Sun Sraavana Krishna Chaturthi -Sankatahara Chaturthi**

10:00 am Ganapathi Abhishekam	\$54
11.00 am Ganapathi Homam	\$126
06.30 pm “GA” kara Sahasram	\$21

**Aug 25 Thur Sraavana Krishna Saptami-KRISHNA JANMASTAMI**

10.30 am Sri Tulasi Brunda Homam	\$126
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**Aug 29 Mon Sraavana Krishna Trayodasi - SOMA PRADOSHAM**

10am & 6.30 pm Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam	\$36
Siva Archana	\$18

**Aug 30 Tue Sraavana Krishna Chaturdasi -Masa Sivaratri**

10.00 am 360 Sivalinga abhishekam	\$108
10.30 am Rudra Homam	\$126
05.00 pm 1 lakh bilva archana	\$108

**Aug 31 Wed Sraavana Krishna Amavasya**

08.00 am Deva Rishi Pitru Tarpanam	\$21
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## SRISAIMAHALAKSHMIYAGNAM

Sponsorship : \$126

**Benefits:** Wealth & Prosperity

### Program

09.00 am Sri Mahalakshmi Abhishekam
10.00 am Sri Mahalakshmi Homam
06.30 pm Sri Lakshmi Kumkum Puja
Aarti & Prasadam



## Sraavana Mangala varam dates

Aug 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th.

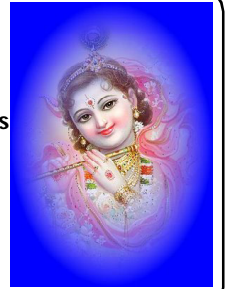
Sponsorship of a puja is \$54. Priest will guide newly married girls on how to perform the puja.

## AUGUST 25TH - THURSDAY KRISHNA ASTAMI

6.30pm - 7.30pm Special krishna bhajans

7.30pm Special Krishna Puja

8.00 pm Dinner prasadam



## LONG WEEKEND PROGRAM Sept 2nd - 5th

Temple Timings 08.00 am -9.00 pm

### Friday, Sept 2nd

09.00 am Sri Sai Rudra Abhishekam
10.30 am Sri Sai Mahalakshmi Homam
05.00 pm Sri Sai Mahalakshmi Kumkum Puja
08.00 pm Jyoti Arati

### Saturday Sept 3rd - Sama Upakarma

12.30pm and 5.00 pm - 360 Jyothir Linga Archana

### Sunday Sept 4th - Sri Ganesha Chaturthi

6.30 pm Vinayaka Chaturti Vratam \$54

Monday -

10.00 am Ganesha Abhishekam	\$54
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## HINDU CALENDAR

**Current Year of the Earth:** 1,955,885,2016

**Name of the Year:** Sri Durmukhi

**Ayanam:** Dakshinayana

**Rutuvu:** Varsha

**Masam:** Sraavanam

**Krishna's Niryanam** (Kali Yuga): 5117

**Gregorian Calendar A.D.** 2016

**Sravana Sukravaram**  
**Sri Vara Mahalakshmi Vratam**  
**Friday Aug 12th, 2016**



**Significance & Story:** Goddess Vara Lakshmi is worshipped on a Friday before Sravana Poornima. Varalakshmi is one who grants boons (Varam). It is mostly performed by women all over the India. Varalakshmi Vratam is performed by married woman for the well being of all the family members, especially husband, to get progeny etc. It is believed that worshipping Goddess Varalakshmi on this day is equivalent to worshipping Ashtalakshmi.

**Charumathi Devi Story:** In the kingdom of Magadha, there lived a Brahmin woman called Charumathi in a town named Kundina. The prosperous town was the home of Charumathi and her husband. Impressed by her devotion to her family, Goddess Maha Lakshmi appeared in her dream and asked her to worship her in the form of Vara Lakshmi (Vara means boon, Lakshmi - goddess of wealth) and seek to fulfill her wishes. Charumathi explained her dream to her family, and along with many other women she performing the pooja in a traditional way and prayed Goddess Varalakshmi with deep devotion.

*“Padmaasane Padmakare sarva lokaika poojithe Narayana priyaedevi supreethaa bhava sarvada”*

Sumangalis (Married women) worship Goddess Lakshmi with utmost devotion offering sweets and flowers. kalash (representing the deity) invoked and decorated with a saree, flowers and gold jewellery with offerings placed in front. It is a tradition to buy gold on that day. This pooja can be done with no restriction to caste or creed. To this day many women observe this traditional festival praying Varamahalakshmi for her blessings in form of wealth and well being of their family. In our Temple every year we perform Varalakshmi Vratam with all our devotees, ALL ARE WELCOME. **This year Sravana Sukra Varam falls on Friday Aug 12th. Join us at the temple.**

**Jyothi (Light) Renders Enlightenment**



**Spiritual :**

The lamp, the wick, and the oil, are essential to make the lamp burn bright. Take one away—there is dark turmoil! Have all in good trim—there is good light! You must know, your body is the lamp; your mind the oil; the tongue, the wick! So keep them and light with peace, joy and love of soul.

**Scientific:**

The first act in worship is to light the lamp. All communication (Radio, TV and Remote Control in space) and transmissions are being done in the spectrum of light waves. The Lamp covers the entire spectrum.

**The Lamp's effect is:**

Will destroy all sins. Light fills any amount of space. Destroy the ignorance & dawns the wisdom. **Cow ghee** light gives spiritual knowledge. **Sesame seed oil** light removes the adverse affects of Saturn & Uranus, brings harmony to family (couples). **Mustard seed oil** lights destroy the internal and external enemies. If you want these lights to be lit on your behalf please contact Temple to make arrangements. Everyone can participate and reap the benefits of YAGNA-Health, Happiness, Progeny, Relief from Pretas (evil spirits), Courage, Success, Wealth and Calm Mind.

It's been a tradition to light a lamp in the Temple's Deepa Saala, located below the sanctum.

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## Sravana Sukravaram - Sri Vara Mahalakshmi Vratam

Friday August 12th, 2016

*Sarva mangala mangalye, Shive Sarvartha sadhake, Sranye  
thrayambike Devi, Sri Vara Mahalakshmi namosthute*

**7.00 pm Sri Vara Maha Lakshmi Vratam**

**\$54 - Blessed blouse piece / \$108 - Blessed Saree as prasadam**

For cordial marital relationship

**Prasadam: Puja Kum Kum**

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**Rig /Yajur VedaUpakarma - Yagnopaveeta Dharna: Wednesday Aug 17th, 2016**

**Free to all**

Yajnopavetham will be supplied by the temple. The temple will open at 6:00 am  
Come before 12:00pm to change Yajnopavetam. Yajnopaveta dharanam includes:

**Kanda Rishi Tarpanam ; 21 times Gayatri Japam ; Yadha Sakthi Gayatri & Viraja Homam**  
8am - 12noon Nutana Yagnopaveeta/Dharanam || 10am - 12noon Sri Gayatri Homam & Poornahuthi  
*Yagnopaveetham paramam pavithram Prajapatheryasahajam purasthad*  
*Aayushyamagryam prathimuncha shubram Yagnopaveetham balamasthu thejah!!*

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## Vinayaka Chavithi - Sri Vara Siddhi Vinayaka Vratam

**Sep 4th, 2016 Sunday 6.30pm**

*Sponsorship - \$54 ( ) - Vrata Prasadam : Blessed Kumkum & Vibhudhi*

*Special 10lb Laddu auction will be held.! Help support the Temple, Come and join the fun !*

*"Agajaanana Padmaarkam, Gajaananamaharnisham Anekadantham Bhaktaanaam Ekadanta Upasmahey"*



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## SPONSORSHIP FORM - Puja/ Yagna

**SPONSORSHIP FOR JYOTHIS (LAMPS) - \$1.00/lamp - \$2.00/lamp for oil lamps.**

**Sponsored:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Donation:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Payment: ( ) Chk#\_\_\_\_\_ ( )**

**C.C.\_\_\_\_\_ Exp:\_\_\_\_\_ CVC:\_\_\_\_\_ Sig:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Gotram:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Address:\_\_\_\_\_**

**City:\_\_\_\_\_ State:\_\_\_\_\_ Zip:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email:\_\_\_\_\_**

**Names**

**Birthstar (if known)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Sai Family Monthly Sponsorship form 2016 - 17**

**Support your 1<sup>st</sup> Shirdi Sai Baba Temple**

Dear Devotees,

Sai Ram. There are many devotees that enjoy the benefits (monthly puja, auto donation, and inclusion in special pujas) of Monthly sponsorship. Please join them with a **monthly puja sponsorship** to support the Temple and become a part of the Sai Family. Your family names will be recited in the puja sponsored and Sai prasadam will be sent. **SPONSOR TODAY!**

<u>Service - (times done in a month)</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Yearly</u>
Thursday Archana (1)	\$11	\$132
Weekly Thursday Archana(4)	\$44	\$572
Sahasranama Archana(1)	\$21	\$231
Weekly Sahasranama Archana (4)	\$84	1008
Thursday Abhishekam (1)	\$54	\$648
Pradosham Abhishekams (2)	\$72	\$864
Siva Archana (2)	\$36	\$432
360 Siva Linga Abhishekam (1)	\$54	\$648
Homam (1)	\$126	\$1512
Satyanarayana Vratam - full Moon(1)	\$54	\$648

### **Sponsorship for 1 year \$5,000 ( )**

INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING SERVICES - Sri Rudra Homa(every month), Sri Satyanarayana Pooja (Full moon days), Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam (Pradosha days), Sri Mahalakshmi Homam, Sri Lakshmi Ganapathy Yagnam.

### **Sai LIFE Sponsors \$10,000 ( )**

**Name(s) on the sanjevani Tree and family names included in daily Homam and Abhishekam!**

Name:\_\_\_\_\_Address:\_\_\_\_\_Gotram\_\_\_\_\_

City:\_\_\_\_\_ST:\_\_\_\_\_Zip:\_\_\_\_\_Ph:\_\_\_\_\_E-mail:\_\_\_\_\_

NAMES :

STARS :

**Please accept my one time donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_Method of donation:** Check( ) Money Order ( )

CC:\_\_\_\_\_Exp:\_\_\_\_\_Cvs:\_\_\_\_\_Zip:\_\_\_\_\_

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

**Make my donation Recurring with the** Credit Card Information above. I authorize to automatically bill the card listed as specified (circle one):

**Quarterly; Once Weekly; Twice/month; Monthly; Yearly**

Customer's signature : \_\_\_\_\_authorized Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Start on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ End on: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Leave blank if no end date).